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Help us Find the Next Clean Air Champion!

Do you know someone in the Bay Area who inspires others to care about the air? If so, please tell us—this individual may be next Clean Air Champion!

The Bay Area Air Quality Management District, along with the American Lung Association, RIDES for Bay Area Commuters and the U.S. EPA, is soliciting nominations for Clean Air Champion Awards. This clean air consortium has been honoring individuals or groups for their truly exceptional efforts to clean up the Bay Area's air—in their work, at home or both since 1992.

Past winners have run the gamut of Bay Area diversity. Clean Air Champions have included a Girl Scout Troop, college students, senior citizens, Bay Area bicycle coalitions and the woman who spear headed AB71, the assembly bill which allows clean-air vehicles to travel in the carpool lane.

"Winners of the Clean Air Champion Award are inspirational champions who go above and beyond to clean up the air," said Ellen Garvey, the Air District's Executive Officer. "The next Clean Air Champion may be your friend, your spouse, your coworker—or even *you*, yourself!"

If you know someone who is making a difference, simply visit www.sparetheair.org or call 1-800 HELP AIR for a nomination form. Send your nominations to Clean Air Champions, Bay Area Air Quality Management District, 939 Ellis Street, San Francisco, CA 94109, or fax to (415) 749-5101. Include an address and daytime phone number for both you and your nominee.

The deadline for the contest is April 30, 2001. The 2001 Clean Air Champion will be announced in July and honored in a public presentation by the Air District Board of Directors.

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